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BIG TOKYO FIRE.

IMPERIAL HOTEL COMPLETELY DESTROYED.

Guests Include Prince of Wales' Staff.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, April 16.
The Imperial Hotel, Tokyo, at which 170 guests, including many officers of H.M.S. Renown and some members of the Prince of Wales' Staff, were staying, was completely destroyed by fire this afternoon. A resident named Millhauser (formerly Greek Consul) who had lived at the Hotel for a long period, was burned to death whilst attempting to escape from the roof.
The fire occurred between three and four o'clock, when the Prince of Wales was attending an Imperial garden party given by the Empress and the Regent, to which some 3,000 guests were invited.
The loss is estimated at over one million yen for the building alone. Most of the guests lost everything.
The Prince of Wales has expressed his deepest sympathy. From Sir Herbert Russell, Reuter's special correspondent.

BRITISH DISARMAMENT PLAN AT GENOA.

The Pacific Model.

Genoa, April 16.
It is authoritatively learned that Mr. Lloyd George has a complete plan for a European disarmament pact. The British view is that the four-Power pact at Washington produced peace among the Pacific Powers and subsequently plans for limitation of armaments. The Genoa conference is disposed to consider armaments at the first stage, not the second. There is no idea at present of a military holiday. The British are also disposed to reinforce the pact by military sanctions which belong to the very order of ideas which the British are trying to abolish.
The British delegation has in mind a pact against aggression, and has not considered the question of the duration of the pact, but probably a decade will be suggested by all the nations now participating at Genoa.
Russian Delegation Becoming Amenable.

London, April 16.
While French correspondents at Genoa (see earlier cables) assert that the Russians are making exaggerated claims and displaying an irreconcilable attitude, Reuter's Genoa correspondent takes a more hopeful view and says that the discussions have undoubtedly opened the eyes of the Russians. No insuperable difficulties have hitherto arisen.
The Allies' view is that they cannot press for immediate payment in regard to the war or debt, but must have recognition and regard for the restitution of private property. The Allies insist upon the principle that value given must be restored, but recognise the practical difficulties.

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY STRIKE FIZZLING OUT.

War Memorials Disfigured.

Calcutta, April 16.
The strike on the East Indian Railway appears to be fizzling out. The position is now practically normal, except at Asansol, where the locomotive drivers have not resumed.
The War Memorial unveiled by the Prince of Wales on December 30 was disfigured last night, when somebody unknown daubed charcoal over the sides and the plaques bearing the names of the killed. The War Memorial to the victims of the Black Hole of Calcutta was similarly treated.

THE NEAR EASTERN IMBROGLIO.

Reply to the Kemalist Government.

Constantinople, April 17.
The Allies have informed the Ankara Government that they cannot consent to immediate Greek evacuation of Anatolia as an armistice condition, and point out the difficulties of a ceding to such a demand. The Allies, however, are prepared to make evacuation begin directly the Kemalists accept the peace terms as a whole.

(Other Telegrams on Pages 2 and 3.)

INDEMNITIES THROUGH THE LEAGUE.

A New French Scheme.

A new method of raising money on the German indemnity is being urged by a number of deputies of different parties, states the Paris correspondent of the Observer. They demand that the French Government shall put the proposition before other countries, not only Allied, but neutral.
Briefly, the scheme provides for the transference to the League of Nations of Allied credits on Germany. The League would then create an international bank issuing international currency, which would be accepted in all countries at face value. Pledged upon the indemnity, it would yet have a solid basis, inasmuch as it would be issued by an organisation of which nearly all nations, with a few notable exceptions, are members. This money would be distributed pro rata among the various countries having claims on Germany. It would be for the issuing bank to receive German payments, and amortisation could be accomplished by an

BILLIARDS.

A Naval Match.

An interesting billiard match took place at the R. N. Canton at the week-end, the Chief and Petty Officers of H.M.S. Hawkins playing the men of the flagship. Good performances were done. Wrigley, Galley and Bland playing good billiards although handicapped by the run of the table. The Officers won by 46 points. Scores:
Petty Officers: Galley 100, Bland 95, Gordon 100, Gleeke 100, Emerson 65, Wrigley 100, Gardner 72.
Totals 555.
509

annual charge upon German exports.
How far the Government will accept such a proposal remains to be seen, but its advantages, should it prove practicable, are recognised, and its promoters put forward the proposition seriously.

FOOTBALL.

The Club favoured for Double Event.

Saturday's games in the First Division of the Hongkong League resulted as follows:
The Club 2 H.M.S. Tamar 1
H.M.S. Ambrose 3 H.M.S. Cairo 2
R.G.A. 0 South China 0
By their win over the Tamar on Saturday last, the Hongkong Club now meet the Carlew in the replay for the League Championship next Saturday, and as the Club are the Shield winners this season, they are considered favourites for this match, a win in which would give them double honours in local football. Each Club has finished its fixtures and reached 29 points. By the League rule, a goal average is not taken into account and should two or more teams finish the season with an equal number of points, the Committee will arrange a match or matches to decide ultimate positions. The replay will take place on the Club ground next Saturday at 4.30 p.m., to be preceded by the Junior match, Curlew Reserve (Winners) v. King's Reserve (runners-up) at 3 p.m. The cups and medals will be presented at the conclusion of the match.
CLUB v. TAMAR.
Great interest was taken in this match, played on the Navy "E" ground, not only by the supporters of the Clubs taking part, but also by the followers of the Curlew team, who were anxious to see their men take part in the replay for the League championship. They were sure of the runners-up medals, but had two chances for a replay for Division honours. A drawn game would have caused a replay with the Tamar, while a win for the Club would mean a replay with the Challenge Shield winners. The game was keenly contested and the final whistle brought many a sigh of relief to the Club supporters.
Hudson, for the Tamar, won the toss and began for the Club, eight minutes after the advertised time for the kick-off. Both sides were out to give of their best and the sailors having the advantage of a light breeze, were early attacking. Give and take play was the order, the game opening very fast. The Tamar were the first to become dangerous but Harkins, their centre-forward, was pulled up for a side close in.
The Club men got together and Stewart, a left half, well placed, gave him the ball, the latter passing forward. Bezz ran round Harry and, taking the ball on the run, took Mitch by surprise and lashed high in the net amidst loud applause. It was a brilliant piece of footwork on the part of the Club's centre-forward. From the centre the ball was sent out to the right and Hill, running in, half-oned over the bar. At the other end, Mitch picked out from almost under the bar from a high shot directed by Bezz. A good run by the Tamar forwards was neutralised by Harkins, who pulled up for offence. A free kick for the sailors against England was given clear to mid-field and Kuhn, running through, was stopped by Smith. The Tamar had two corners and Hill placing in front of goal from the second kick, Harkins headed out to Burd who shot vice. The exchanges were slight, in favour of the sailors, who were slow in front of goal. Their centre-forward worked the ball well in, but drew his final shot and Gerrard tackled and got the ball away. Half time saw the Club leading by the only goal scored.
Resuming, the sailors got away on the right and Hill centred. Burd just missed with a header. On the next visit by the sailors Harkins was ruled off side when in front of goal with only Burke to beat.
The Club forwards got away and the ball being sent out to the left, England went on but ended up by shooting wide. At the other end, the Club were awarded a free kick in the goalmouth for a player impeding the goalkeeper, but the sailors were soon back on a sin and a defender handled just outside the penalty area. The Club players dropped back and practically covered their goal, Ambrose

ALLEGED FALSE PRETENCES.

A Young Chinese Charged.

Charged with obtaining a title of quinine by false pretences from the Sincere Company, a young Chinese, who appeared before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, was remanded on bail of \$250.
Inspector Caygill said that on Friday night defendant, representing that he came from Dr. C. C. Wang, obtained from the Sincere stores two order books in one of which he wrote an order for a bottle of quinine. The next day this bottle of quinine was returned to the shop by another man, accompanied by a chit (alleged to emanate from Dr. Wang) in which the rejection of the goods was attributed to unsatisfactory quality. The store assistant had, however, come to entertain doubts on the bona fides of the order. He detained and took the man to the Police Station, where a statement was obtained from him which led to the tracing and arrest of the defendant at Yau-matli. The order books were also recovered.
In reply to a question Inspector Caygill further informed the Magistrate that no such order was given by Dr. Wang; that the defendant was at one time in the employ of the doctor and at another time at Sincere's—which explained how he came to know that Dr. Wang was accustomed to order his medicinal requirements from Sincere's. He admitted that he could be given as to why defendant should return the bottle of quinine, after having taken such a risk to obtain it, but the Inspector suggested that perhaps the man could not dispose of it.

out Hudson shot wide. The sailors came again and Harkins was offside to a neat pass from Brazendale. From the free kick, the Club got away and England had a tussle with Smith near the corner flag. The Club man coming off best, he gave to Bezz who was unmarked and sent in a low drive that beat Mitch and made the score two to nil in favour of the Club.
The sailors took up the attack and for a time kept the Club at home, but the defence kept them out. An appeal for a penalty against the Club for bands failed to meet with the approval of the referee and the sailors were awarded a free kick. The Club cleared, but the sailors were back again and Brazendale swinging the ball over from the left, Topping met it and sent it into the net amidst wild cheers from the Tamar's supporters. The sailors were not flustered and came with a rush. Rodger being lucky to clear after he had stopped the ball and dropped it. However, the Club defence held out and time only leaving them winners by two goals to one.
R.G.A. v. SOUTH CHINA.
South China fielded practically a reserve side for their return fixture of the Club ground. Lau, the goalkeeper, has So and Pong, full backs, and Lo and Tai-ling, the centre-half, being notable substitutes. The R.G.A. had most of the play but could not break down the stubborn defence put up by the Reserves, of whom Lo Chai in goal gave a brilliant exhibition. McHugh, the R.G.A. centre, was injured early in the game as the result of a fall when attempting to head the ball into the net. The South China forwards worked the ball down but they could not finish. They were awarded a couple of corners but gained no advantage. The game ended in a goalless draw.
AMBROSE v. CAIRO.
There were no players in their return match on Navy "A" ground and a well-contested game ended in a win for the Ambrose by three goals to two. After ten minutes play, Duval, following up, took advantage of Staines' mis-kick and opened the score for the Ambrose. Boulter put them further ahead before the interval. Gal scored twice for the Cairo in the second half and Hood scored the winning goal for the Ambrose.

CHINA COAST.

Latest Appointments.

Captain R. H. G. Ashby, from reserve, has gone master, Shanghai. Mr. J. Taylor, chief officer, Ichang, is on reserve.
Captain F. M. Dillon, of the Holbow, has gone master, Chekiang. Captain N. Penston, of the Chekiang, is on reserve.
Mr. F. A. Pennington, second officer, Wuchang, is on reserve. Mr. L. W. Harrison, second officer, Ngankin, has gone second officer, Wuchang.
Mr. W. D. J. Corlett, sup's second officer, Fatsan, has resigned.
Mr. W. L. Thomas, chief officer, Taikoo Wan I, is on reserve. Mr. D. L. Davies, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Taikoo Wan I.
Mr. G. P. Millar, chief officer, Kwangchow, is on reserve. Mr. W. L. Thomas, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Kwangchow.
Mr. J. Baxter, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Chekiang. Mr. W. J. Dinnen, chief engineer, Chekiang, has gone chief engineer, Hanzchow.
Mr. P. Bell, acting chief engineer, Suifuang, has gone second engineer, same ship. Mr. H. M. Hall, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, Suifuang.
Mr. A. Hamilton, chief engineer, Hanzchow, is on reserve.
Captain W. F. Bichard, of the Kwo gang, is on leave. Mr. W. Ryden, chief officer, Kwangchow, has gone acting master, same ship.
Captain C. J. Mattock, of the Lokang, has retired.
Mr. D. G. Borleigh, chief officer, Mingang, has gone chief officer, Choysang.
Mr. J. W. Stoneham, third officer, Kutsang, has gone second officer, same ship. Mr. A. H. Mackie has been appointed third officer, Kutsang.
Captain W. Sinclair, Tuckwo, is deceased.
Captain J. Sundlo, of the Hsin Kiangtzen, has gone master, Kiangshun. Captain C. Taylor, of the Kiangshun, has gone master, Hsin Kiangtzen.
Captain W. Philip, of the Kwangtab, has gone master, Kiangshun.
Mr. A. Kalnin, second officer, Kwangtab, has gone acting chief officer, Taishun. Mr. L. G. Murray has been appointed second officer, Taishun.

U. S. JAPAN AGREEMENT ON SHIP SURVEYS.

A Tokyo message of the 30th ult. states:—An agreement whereby the Imperial Japanese Marine Corporation will take up the survey and classification for Japanese waters was completed yesterday afternoon at the American Embassy as the result of a conference of Mr. Charles Beecher Warren, American Ambassador to Japan; Mr. John Martin, representative of Japan of the American Bureau of Shipping; Dr. T. Inaoka, Director of the Imperial Japanese Marine Corporation and President of the Uraga Dockyard Corporation; and Dr. S. Terano, Dean of the College of Engineering of Tokyo Imperial University and a representative of the Imperial Japanese Marine Corporation, according to the Japan Advertiser. The organization is now thoroughly complete and will establish Japanese representatives at Nagasaki, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama who will take up the work of registering and inspecting vessels in the American Bureau of Shipping. Mr. John Martin, representative of the American Bureau of Shipping, will remain in Japan to supervise the work of the organization which has to do with American shipping. At the meeting yesterday all plans were outlined for a thorough understanding of them he expressed complete approval of the proposed arrangements.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Mr. Headmaster, who has just written a novel and is credited with the authorship of a book, "The Mystery of the Mystery," has only held his post for five years. He succeeded Dr. Lytton, and his wife is a daughter of the fourth Baron Lytton. The Rev. Cyril Allington's previous essays in literature have taken a more serious turn although his "Shrewsbury Fables" are light enough reading of their kind.

In the garden of the historic Cleeve Prior Manor, in the lonely Vale of Evesham, which has just come on the market, are sixteen clipped yews, and local tradition associates with them representations of the twelve Apostles and four Evangelists. In the grounds is an ancient circular dovecote, 50ft. in circumference, and with walls nearly 5ft. thick—just the kind of masonry that would give the modern builder something to think about. With its 450 nests it is happily still in good condition, and, still more happily, continues to be inhabited by birds who are perhaps the descendants of much earlier occupants.

Mr. George Denman, who has just retired from the London Police magistracy after 32 years' service, can trace back family connection with the law of more than a century, for this year is the centenary of the appointment of his grandfather, Lord Denman, as a Common Serjeant of London. Denman very nearly ruined his career by a daring application of bitter Greek satire to the character of George IV. during the trial of Queen Caroline, but he lived to be 18 years Lord Chief Justice. His fourth son was a judge for 20 years, and was still on the Bench when his eldest son, Mr. George Denman, was appointed a magistrate.

Apocryphal of some stolen paintings, a London journal recalls the remarkable case of the life-size marble statue of Hiawatha by the American sculptor, St. Gaudens. This was acquired by the New York Art Museum, and placed among its exhibits. Fifteen years later an exhibition of St. Gaudens' work was projected, and it was suggested that the Hiawatha statue should be included. But when the authorities of the Art Museum consented to lend it, the statue was missing, and no trace of it could be discovered. It is one thing to purloin a painting from its frame, but quite a different proposition to burgle a heavy marble statue standing nearly 6ft. high.

In discussing what is the matter with American literature, Mr. H. S. Canby, the editor of the New York Literary Review, complains that his fellow-countrymen are uncritical readers. "We like," he says, "too readily, which is an amiable fault, we dislike too readily, which is a misfortune. We accept the cheap, when we might have the costly book. We like the new, the true, the accurate, and the beautiful, because we will not seek, or cannot grasp them." The remedy, Mr. Canby suggests, is a vigorous criticism. "Call in the experts, let them name themselves and their qualifications like ancient champions, and then proceed to lay about with a will."

Although the two hymns chosen with the approval of the Queen and Princess Mary, for inclusion in the musical portion of the Royal marriage service, are old favourites in the "Ancient and Modern" hymnal, very few churchgoers could name their authorship. "Praise my soul, the King of Heaven," which will be sung to the string by Sir John Goss by the massed choirs immediately after the address by the Archbishop of Canterbury, was written long ago by Henry Francis Lyte, a well-known divine in the early years of last century. A prolific writer of religious verse, Lyte's highest claim to remembrance is his

DAY BY DAY.

The theft of a silver handbag valued at £10 and containing £5, the property of a wife, has been reported to the Police. The handbag was stolen from a woman's car on the road between No. 35 Queen's Road Central, where the theft took place.

Intimation has been received at Buckingham Palace to the effect that the Prince of Wales will arrive in London on his return from the Far East on June 24, which, curiously enough, is the day after his birthday. Almost immediately on his return the Royal Highness will have a prolonged holiday, of which he is rather greatly in need. He is reported to be feeling the strains of his visit to India considerably. —China Express and Telegraph.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

The efficacy of "Moscato" for repelling bites of mosquitoes and sandflies is pointed out by A. S. Watson and Co. on Page 6.
The World Theatre's special attraction to-day is "For a Woman's Honor."—Page 4.
At the Coronet, "The Deep Purple" is being shown, whilst at Kowloon Theatre, Harold Lloyd will be seen in "Among Those Present" and Midge Kennedy in "Day Dreams."—Page 12.
Later, Crawford's have a special show of Auto-Victor Records.—Page 5.

A fancy dress masked carnival is to be held by the Ex-Active Service Men's Association at the Pavilion on April 22.—Page 4.
The regular monthly meeting of the Marine Engineers' Guild is being held on the 19th instant.—Page 4.

Mr. Li Hon-fan should be consulted by those wishing to learn Chinese.—Page 4.
Consignees' notices regarding the Yokohama Maru and Kamakura Maru appear on Page 5.
The Mentor's cargo has been brought forward by the Antiochus.—Page 4.
Consignees of cargo by the Van Overstraten are referred to the notice on Page 4.
The West Prospect has arrived, and the usual consignees' notice is given on Page 4.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 5.9.16d.

Lighting-Up Time.

Lighting-up time to-day 6.44 p.m.

eventide." The processional hymn at the Abbey ceremony, "Lead us, Heavenly Father," is from the pen of James Elton, another Early Victorian hymn-writer.

Southwark Cathedral boasts the oldest unaltered red church tower in London. It was built in 1320, and apart from necessary repairs has not been touched. But there are at least two altered church towers in London which are older. One is to be found at St. Andrew's, Holborn, which survived the fire, and was much restored in 1704, and another is the tower of St. Clement Danes. "The bells of St. Clement's" hang in one of the most interesting towers in the metropolis. The foundations are Norman, the plain part of the tower seen from the street is Early English Gothic of the 13th century, and the ornate steeple was a deed by Gibbs, the architect of St. Martin-in-the-Fields. During the Middle Ages the Gothic portion of the tower had buttresses at the angles. These were considered to be out of keeping with the plain Gothic, and were built in Wren's days, so that we have a 16th-century work on the buttresses and the 13th-century tower which are for the most part of the same

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE GENOA CONFERENCE.

Genoa, April 15.
The Times correspondent at Genoa says that after an informal meeting of the delegates to consider the report of the London experts, Mr. Lloyd George invited the delegates to luncheon. All declined except the Russians, and the fact has been much commented upon.
A French report that Mr. Lloyd George has sent an ultimatum to the Russians is hitherto unconfirmed; but a Genoa message indicates that the Russians are raising great difficulties as regards the London memorandum. Informal discussions at Mr. Lloyd George's villa yesterday lasted nine hours, the Russians, unaccompanied by first class economic experts, laboriously striving to digest the memorandum. They are drafting amendments and protests generally, and preparing still to fight when the sub-committee of eleven really and properly met yesterday upon yesterday was that assembled. An incident much commented upon yesterday was that when Mr. Lloyd George invited the delegates, including the Russians, to lunch, M. Barthou said he had a previous appointment and departed, returning an hour later to resume the conversations. The Allied and Russian experts are discussing the memorandum to-day and will report to the delegates at Mr. Lloyd George's villa this afternoon. This meeting is expected to decide the Russian problem.
The sub-committee of the Economic Commission began the study of the economic part of the London memorandum and adopted an amendment by the Japanese delegate that the economic conventions drawn up for European States apply to non-European States.

Genoa, April 15.
Informal conversations between the Anglo-French, Italo-Belgian and Russian delegates continued at Mr. Lloyd George's villa to-day. The Allies were most impressed by M. Chicherin's and M. Krassin's exposition of the situation in Russia, but refused to budge on the question of Russia's recognition of debts, intimating their readiness to continue the Conference without Russia. A deadlock seemed to be reached upon this question, and upon the claim for compensation for damage by counter-revolutionary troops, when the Russians made proposals enabling the conversations to proceed.

Paris, April 16.
Genoa reports are that while recognising pre-war debts, the Soviets, by a simple process of submitting a counter-claim, not only wipe out the amount but show the Allies to be the debtors. This astounding claim was submitted by Litvinoff at the first meeting of the Russian and Allied experts. The claim is based on damages alleged to have been sustained in consequence of anti-Soviet expeditions supported by the Allies, also the loss of Bessarabia, aggregating fifty milliards of gold roubles. When the matter was later discussed, the Allied delegates and Mr. Lloyd George told the Russians the claim was excessive, inadmissible and contrary to all notions of justice. They asked the Soviet representatives if they had come all the way to Genoa to spring this surprise. They repudiated the Allies' responsibility in connection with the claim.

Mr. Lloyd George finally indicated the questions whereabout it was possible the Allies might make concessions, and said that if the Soviet's reply was unequivocal the Allies would adhere to the terms of the London experts' report, providing for a moratorium regarding the Russians' debts. He affirmed that if the reply was unfavourable, the Conference would have no further object for Russia.
After M. Chicherin had replied somewhat irreconcilably, the Russians withdrew. The Allies deliberated, and it is understood they will insist on a definite reply regarding acceptance of the Cannes resolutions, after time given to communicate with Moscow.
French Delegation Not to Discuss Disarmament.

Paris, April 15.
It is semi-officially denied that a majority of the Cabinet has decided that the French delegation will participate in the disarmament discussion if raised at Genoa. From the same source it is stated that in the latter event the delegation will ask to have it referred to the League of Nations which is already dealing with this subject; alternatively, the delegation will not participate in the debate.

THE STRIFE IN IRELAND.

During a midnight attack a body of anti-treaty, armed but non-uniformed Republicans seized the Dublin Law Courts, which they fortified and intend using as rebel headquarters. The rebel commandant O'Connor declares that the occupation is not to be regarded as a coup d'etat. The invaders commandeered food from local factories.

Dublin, April 15.
The seizure of the Law Court is regarded as a blow struck at the heart of orderly administration, which it is difficult for any Government to tolerate. Lately it has been increasingly manifest that De Valera is no longer able for control a considerable part of the Republican section of the Army, and the coup is the more remarkable as it was executed while De Valera was carrying on peace negotiations with Mr. Michael Collins and Mr. Griffith. The British and Free State troops at Dublin have been confined to barracks. The Central Telegraph office and other buildings are strongly guarded. The situation is tense.

THE AEROPLANE TRAGEDY.

London, April 15.
At the inquest on Sir Ross Smith and Lieut. Bennett at Weybridge, Keith Smith said his brother was occupied in organising a world trip. He had not flown much recently. Muller, the Brooklands Superintendent of Vickers, said the machine was similar to those supplied to the British, Canadian, Japanese and Dutch Governments. It was in complete flying trim with no defect anywhere. The actual controlling parts were absolutely intact after the accident. The preliminary flight, when a Vickers pilot, Cockerell, was with Sir Ross, was the machine's first test. The machine was not examined when they descended, because the engines were running. Sir Ross merely replaced Cockerell at the controls.
Cockerell testified that he had seen the construction of the machine throughout. It was perfect in every respect.
The medical evidence was that the death of both was instantaneous. A verdict of death by misadventure was returned.

THE ARMSTRONG TRIAL.

London, April 15.
Armstrong who was tried at Hereford was a solicitor and Magistrate's Clerk at the Welsh town of Hay, not Hereford. The trial has caused an immense sensation, the Judge describing it as the most remarkable in living memory. He ridiculed the defence's contention that Armstrong's wife committed suicide, saying that the evidence, though entirely circumstantial, proved that Armstrong poisoned his wife with a view to securing immediate possession of her property.

INDIAN SEDITIONIST SENTENCED.

London, April 15.
Kharak Singh, the President of the Punjab Congress Committee, has been sentenced to three years' rigorous imprisonment for sedition.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

A Glance at our Files.

(Apr. 10-16, 1897.)

THE JUBILEE.

After Captain May had been examined by the Diamond Jubilee Permanent Memorial Sub-Committee yesterday, Mr. A. Denton was heard regarding Mr. Gershom Stewart's scheme for a road round the island. Mr. K. R. Leigh wrote stating that the cost of gilding the Queen's statue and supplying and erecting a railing and four lions was estimated at \$7,500.

VOLUNTEER SERVICE.

The Gazette contains a despatch from the Secretary of State enclosing a Warrant from the Queen extending to India and the Colonies the grant of a medal to Volunteers for long service, and giving special power to the Viceroy of India and the Governors of Colonies to make such regulations for the issue of such medals as may be suitable to the requirements of these different possessions of the Crown. The Secretary of State's communication points out that these regulations should be similar, so far as circumstances permit, to the regulations in force in England. Our Governor, although in receipt of this despatch in October last, has only now made it public and with it (and the Royal Warrant) he puts forth his rules and regulations. They are of such a character that no one in Hongkong can very well benefit by them now or hereafter. Twenty years' service is required. That service after this date must be continuous. Before this date there may be discontinuous service and there are special provisions for the settlement of such cases.

AN ABSURD DEMAND.

There have been several separate Volunteer Corps in the Colony—one in 1862, disbanded in 1863, we believe by Sir Richard MacDonnell; another in 1878, disbanded in 1882 or thereabouts and there is the present Corps. We doubt if there is a man in the present Corps who was a Volunteer in 1878 and who has served continuously since. There are men in the Colony who served in the 1862 Corps. There are officers and men who were in the Companies formed in 1878; but they are no longer Volunteers. Twenty years' service in a place like this is an absurd demand. No one is ever likely to have the chance of getting the Volunteer medal under such conditions. It must be equally absurd in the Straits Settlements, where the Corps is composed of Europeans only. Men rarely remain in one place in the East for such a long period, and even if they were to do so they would be unfit for service long before the twenty years had expired, either because of health or of their position and responsibilities. Whoever prepared the Regulations must have given them very little thought. It is useless to offer a reward that the local circumstances will hardly ever permit any one to earn. Ten years' service in a tropical climate ought to count fully as much as thirty years in England or in any temperate climate. Perhaps the General would kindly look into these Regulations and suggest their amendment to suit the place and the people.

TENNIS TIES.

The result of the first ties of the Cricket Club Lawn Tennis Handicap reached us this afternoon. The two winning players in the Championship so far are Messrs. H. Humphreys and H. S. Moberley, who beat Mr. H. W. Slade and Dr. J. M. Atkinson, respectively.

CANTON AND THE JUBILEE.

Our friends at Canton have two schemes on hand for a permanent memorial of the Queen's record reign: one is a clock tower for the church, and the other is a road to Whampoa. Our Canton correspondent is inclined to think that the road scheme is the most likely to be useful and popular, that the clock tower proposal though quite possible of accomplishment is favoured only by a few, and that some other and more acceptable scheme will shortly be submitted. Why not add a wing to one of the mission hospitals for women and girls?

WAR AGAINST OTTERS.

Otters in Welsh rivers are very numerous, and they are killing salmon and doing great damage. It has been decided to employ a pack of otter hounds.

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VICTORIA REGATTA.

Saturday Afternoon's Sport.

Conditions could not have been better for the opening day of the Victoria Regatta held under the auspices of the Victoria Recreation Club on Saturday afternoon. A cloudless sky, a cool breeze, a fine straight course and some interesting sport, coupled with excellent arrangements and the usual generous hospitality of the Club, helped to make the regatta a very successful affair. Black Boulder Point, Kowloon Bay, looked at its best; flags and bunting floated bravely from the temporary masted erected on the shore, from which a fine view of the races could be obtained, from Mr. R. E. Bell's yacht, the Dwyer, lying gracefully at anchor in the Bay and which marked the finishing point, and from other boats in the vicinity. Quite a large number of people took advantage of the splendid service of launches running from Murray Pier to spend an enjoyable afternoon amid delightful surroundings.

The only matter for regret was that the competitors in some of the events were not more numerous. It was a noticeable fact that the members of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club did not support the meeting to the extent that they have done in past years, which is all the more surprising in view of the big part played by the V.R.C. members in the recent regatta of the "Royals" at Repulse Bay.

The officials were as under:
Chairman: Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., M.D.
Rowing Committee: Mr. A. H. Carrol, Rowing Capt. Mr. B. J. de H. Moore, Mr. S. Berg, Mr. R. C. Mitchell, Mr. H. J. Silva, Mr. H. Dreyer, Mr. G. May, Mr. A. A. Alves, Mr. A. E. Alves.

Judges and Umpires: Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., M.D., Mr. W. G. Logar, Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen, Mr. A. McKirdy, Mr. D. K. Blair, Capt. F. T. Wheeler, Col. Humphreys, C.M.G., Mr. R. E. Bellios, Capt. F. L. Brown, a.z., Mr. A. A. Alves, Mr. E. M. Hazeland, Lieut. Commander Douglas Hamilton.

Starter: Lieut. Conway Hake; s.s.s. Assistant starters and timekeepers: Lieut. Commander Drew, Lieut. S. F. Mitchell, Mr. J. Lyon, Mr. A. A. Alves, Mr. W. J. Carrol, Mr. T. Meek.
Sailing Committee: Mr. A. McKirdy, Mr. A. Van Andel, Mr. M. O. Woodman, Mr. E. M. Hazeland, Capt. Baylis, Mr. D. K. Blair, Starter and Timekeeper: Yes. of Sig Franklin.
Clerks of the Course: Lieut. Littleton, Mr. E. W. Carpenter.

Competitors' Stewards: Mr. James Smith, Mr. E. T. Crocker, Mr. F. Schnepel.

Two crews, both English, stroked respectively by Lieut. Claridge and G. May, entered for the International Challenge Cup. The race was looked forward to with more than usual interest from the fact that two new locally-made boats were on view. It was a keen disappointment that the outriggers on both snapped before the race actually started, necessitating the old boats being brought into action. A keen race saw Lieut. Claridge bring his boat in a length and a half in front of the other crew.

The two naval events created a great deal of enthusiasm among the great crowd of sailors present. Seven big crowd of sailors present. Seven whalers were manned, H.M.S. Hawkins, Tamar, Titania, Cairo, Ambrose and Foxglove providing the crews. The distance was one mile, the Hawkins stokers' crew winning easily by eight lengths from the Foxglove, with the others strung out.

The naval cutters provided the best race of the day, H.M.S. Carlisle springing a surprise by winning a most exciting race by half a length. H.M.S. Cairo came up strongly towards the end but a little bit of clever "jockeying" on the part of the Carlisle made them take second place.

The tub sculling events were poorly patronised, only two competitors turning out in the Juniors and a similar number in the Seniors. The Juniors was won by N. Shalashanoff, G. Jack would have made a much better race of it had he kept a straight course. I. Ignatieff had no difficulty in securing the Seniors, finishing up in fine style many lengths in front of E. H. O'Farrell.

Crews representing the Navy and the A. P. Company and Telegraph Company turned out in the Ho Tung Challenge Cup, a very exciting finish resulting in the verdict going to the latter by a length.

Results.

International Challenge Cup. For Four. Distance one mile. Confined to members of the Victoria Recreation Club. Lieut. Claridge (stk), Lieut. Stevens (bow), Lieut. Wemyss (cox); 2, G. May (stk), W. B. Andrews (3), C. Earnshaw (2), A. H. Mason (bow), A. H. Carrol (cox).
The Sculling (Juniors). Distance half mile. Open to members of V.R.C. 1, N. Shalashanoff; 2, G. Jack.
Naval Whalers. Open to H. M. Ships in harbour. Service boats and conditions. 1, H.M.S. Hawkins; 2, Stokers' Crew; 3, H. M. E. Fox.

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FUNERAL.

Late Mr. R. W. W. Bristow.

Indicating the great esteem in which the late Mr. R. W. W. Bristow was regarded, by a wide circle of friends, there was a large attendance at the funeral which took place on Saturday afternoon. The chief mourners were Mr. F. Winyard and Mr. A. Blyth, Mr. and Mrs. Blyth, Mr. and Mrs. D. McNeill, Mr. and Mrs. E. Coyne, Mr. and Mrs. Gibbison and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. D. Young, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Bell, Mr. Cuff, Mr. H.W. Ray, Mr. W. R. Buckenrough and friends, Mr. F. Gomes and the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave.

A large number of wreaths were sent, these being from the Directors and Staff of Messrs. Lane Crawford Ltd., Willie and Cissie Polley, Mr. and Mrs. Polley, The Anderson Music Company, Mr. and Mrs. Winyard, Mr. and Mrs. Blyth, Mr. and Mrs. D. McNeill, Mr. and Mrs. E. Coyne, Mr. and Mrs. Gibbison and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. D. Young, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Bell, Mr. Cuff, Mr. H.W. Ray, Mr. W. R. Buckenrough and friends, Mr. F. Gomes and the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave.

glove; 3, H.M.S. Hawkins, Sea-men's Crew.

Tub Sculling (Seniors). Distance half mile. Open to members of the V. R. C. 1, I. Ignatieff; 2, E. H. O'Farrell.

Naval Cutters. Open to H. M. Ships in harbour. Distance two miles. Service boats and conditions. 1, H. M. E. Carlisle; 2, H.M.S. Cairo; 3, H.M.S. Hawkins.

Ho Tung Challenge Cup. For Four. Distance one mile. Limited to residents of Hongkong, each crew to be drawn from a single unit. 1, A. P. Company and Telegraph Company, B. J. de H. Moore (stk), G. Morgard (3), G. May (bow) and A. E. Simmons (cox); 2, H. M. Navy, Lieut. Claridge (stk), Lieut. Buchbeene (2), Lieut. Stevens (bow), Lieut. Wemyss (cox).

The race for the Chairman's Challenge Cup was postponed until Monday.

Yacht Races.
Heyward Hayes Class.

Corrected Time.
1, Sealark 4.29.20
2, Winifred 4.30.54
3, Lady Cloacina 4.31.22
4, Spray 4.32.20.

Handicap and One Design Classes.
1, Diana 2.03.34
2, Ailsa 4.12.24

Boat Boys Race (Heyward Hayes and Gael Classes).
1, Ursula 4.28.08
2, Gael 4.30.48
3, Sirius 4.31.08.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from page 2.)

THE PRINCE IN JAPAN.

Tokio, April 15.

This morning the Prince of Wales, accompanied by the Prince Regent, reviewed a division of ten thousand of the Imperial Guards on the Yoyogi parade ground. The brilliant sunshine added to the attractiveness of the occasion. The Prince of Wales, uniformed as a Japanese General, rode on a handsome piebald charger, the property of the Regent. The feature of the afternoon events was a wrestling bout between champions of East and West Japan. The ball at the British Embassy was the most notable function there since it was occupied. Popular interest in the Prince of Wales appears to be even on the increase, his grace of bearing and democracy bringing out comment in the newspapers, comparing it with the extreme aloofness of the Japanese Court.

Tokyo, April 15.

This morning the Prince of Wales made his first appearance in the uniform of a full General of the Japanese Army, the occasion being a review of the Imperial Guard Division. The morning was gloriously fine, after the previous day's downpour, the air so clear that Fuji, more than a hundred miles distant, was visible in a dim violet shadow. At ten o'clock the Prince of Wales, mounted upon the beautiful piebald charger Harukoma, presented to the Crown Prince by the Prefecture of Kagoshima three years ago, rode on to the Yoyogi parade ground, accompanied by the Prince Regent and their large and brilliant staffs. The Imperial Guard review has never before been attended by staff officers below the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, but on this occasion every British officer attached to the Embassy, even including language students, were invited to be present.

The foreign attaches made bright splashes of colour amid the general monotony of khaki. Troops, all in field service uniform, with khaki tunics, trousers, puttees, red-banded caps and knapsacks, were drawn up on three sides of a square. On the Prince's arrival the massed bands, in red and blue uniforms, played "God Save the King," whilst Regimental trumpeters in succession sounded the sonorous "Kimigayo" or "Reign of Emperor," the national air of Japan. It is estimated that more than 10,000 troops were present, consisting of four infantry regiments, each of three battalions, a cavalry regiment, six field batteries, engineers' and transport units. The parade was a wonderfully fine spectacle, the appearance of the flower of the Japanese Army being strikingly impressive. After riding around the square the Prince of Wales and Prince Regent took up their post at the saluting base. The March Past then commenced, occupying more than half an hour. The infantry went past in column of companies, marching in semi-goose step, rhythmically swinging left arms straight out from the shoulders. The Band played the Imperial Guard Review March, a very inspiring quickstep. At the head of each Regiment the battle colours were borne, in each case nothing remaining of war-worn flags but the border fringes. Both the Prince of Wales and the Prince Regent took the salute, given by officers with swords in two flashing movements, the other ranks giving "Eyes right." The guns trotted past, the Imperial Guards of Lancers went by at a canter on magnificent horses, compelling unanimous admiration. The whole parade was under the command of Lieut-General Nakashima, of the Imperial Guard Division, who received the warm congratulations of the Prince of Wales at the finish of the review on the splendid bearing and faultless precision of the evolutions of his troops. There was a large gathering of European officers and civilians in the grandstand, erected at the back of the saluting base.

Both coming and returning along the crowded route between Akasaka Place and the parade ground the Prince of Wales received a tremendous ovation, it being remarked that he is to-day the most popular General of the Japanese Army.—From Sir Herbert Russell, *Reuter's special correspondent with the Prince of Wales.*

AMERICA'S NAVAL PERSONNEL.

Washington, April 15.

A letter from President Harding was read before the House of Representatives urging a more adequate enlisted force than the 57,000 fixed by the Naval Appropriations Committee in the pending Naval Supply Bill.

The letter further stated that the President would be most disappointed if the appropriation voted were insufficient to maintain a personnel of 86,000, adding that the trend towards peace and security ought to be more firmly established before going beyond the limitations to which they were gladly committed at the International Conference.

Washington, April 16.

The House of Representatives voted appropriation for an enlisted naval personnel of 86,000, in accordance with President Harding's recommendations.

OBITUARY.

London, April 15.

The death is announced of the Right Reverend Hyshe Wolcott Yeatman-Biggs, M.A., D.D., F.S.A., ex-Bishop of Worcester, aged 77 years.

[Bishop Yeatman Biggs was educated at Winchester and Cambridge, and was ordained in 1869, at the age of 24. He represented the Church of England at the American Convention in 1916. He inherited the estates of his brother, General Yeatman Biggs, and owns a large estate in Wiltshire. He is the author of several works for the clergy.]

SEMENOFF'S FLIGHT.

Washington, April 15.

Senator Borah, Chairman of the Senate Committee investigating the Semenov case has sought the New York District Attorney's opinion as to whether it is possible to punish General Semenov for the murder of American soldiers in Siberia. Senator Borah expresses the view that the evidence is very clear.

COLLECTING TAXES IN INDIA.

Simla, April 15.

It is officially stated that the inhabitants of several villages in the Sirchi state of Rajputana, who refused to pay taxes and rejected all settlement overtures, were attacked on 12th April by State troops, and after some resistance were driven off to the hills. Three were killed. The operations had an immediate and salutary effect. Seven villages in the affected area have now agreed to pay taxes.

U. S. IMMIGRATION LAW EXTENDED.

The Senate has passed a resolution extending the immigration restriction law of 1st June to 1924.

BRITAIN'S DEBT TO AMERICA.

Britain has paid the Treasury \$20,000,000, being the second instalment of \$122,000,000 debt incurred in the purchase of silver during the War.

GERMANY PAYS.

Paris, April 16.

Germany has paid in reparations an instalment of gold marks 18,000,000 in accordance with the commission's decision of March 21, which accorded with the provisional moratorium to Germany.

SCOTTISH CUP FINAL.

London, April 15.

In the Scottish Association Cup Final at Glasgow Greenock Morton beat Glasgow Rangers by the goal to nil.

THE BOOKSHELF.

(By "Librarian.")

ANOTHER SPANISH NOVELIST.

In considering the work of Don Ramon recently I remarked that he was one of the few Spanish writers whom Englishmen read. It may be that before long there will be another, unless the subtleties of diction operate against translation of the works of Don Ramon del Valle-Inclan, who has lately attracted some notice in America, where he has been visiting. By some Continental critics Don Ramon has been described as Spain's foremost living writer and greatest stylist.

Spanish publishers delight to present his twenty-nine books in de luxe sets (although they are sold everywhere in paper bindings, too). A start with translation into English has been made with "The Dragon's Head."

In Spain the popular saying has it that there are "three Ramones"—Don Ramon, Ramon, and Ramonin. That is to say, Don Ramon, as Senor del Valle-Inclan is known throughout his native land; "Ramon plain," by whom they mean Ramon Perez de Ayala, another celebrated author; and "little Ramon," or Ramon Gomez de la Serna, third of this literary triumvirate.

Don Ramon is a cormorant for work, and thus describes his methods:

"I work night and day, lying down, taking coffee, coffee, coffee!"

"Night and day, Don Ramon! For how long?" he was asked.

"Perhaps for a week. Usually until a book is finished. I have a pencil and a big block of paper and I must have a divan, and as long as the inspiration lasts I go with it. If I stop for a moment the critical faculty awakes and devastates."

This writer's powerful inspiration has swept him through five literary forms, and he is now meditating still another.

"You must know," proceeded Don Ramon, "that Spanish Galicia, where I was born, is pure Celtic, quite as much so as Ireland. Many of the place names are Irish: my own means simply of the Valley Clan. Brian is common. There are the same superstitions, the same awe and reverence for natural forces. All through my childhood the servants told me Celtic stories—Tristan and Isolde was one. The Galician character has all the Irish traits. The land abounds in Druid monuments."

"It is the most populous part of the world, but there are few large cities. All the homes are what you would call country homes. Mine was and still is the old memorial tower of my family, in the township of Santa Maria la Antigua del Karaminal, from which I may look out toward Finisterre, the End of the World. There I write."

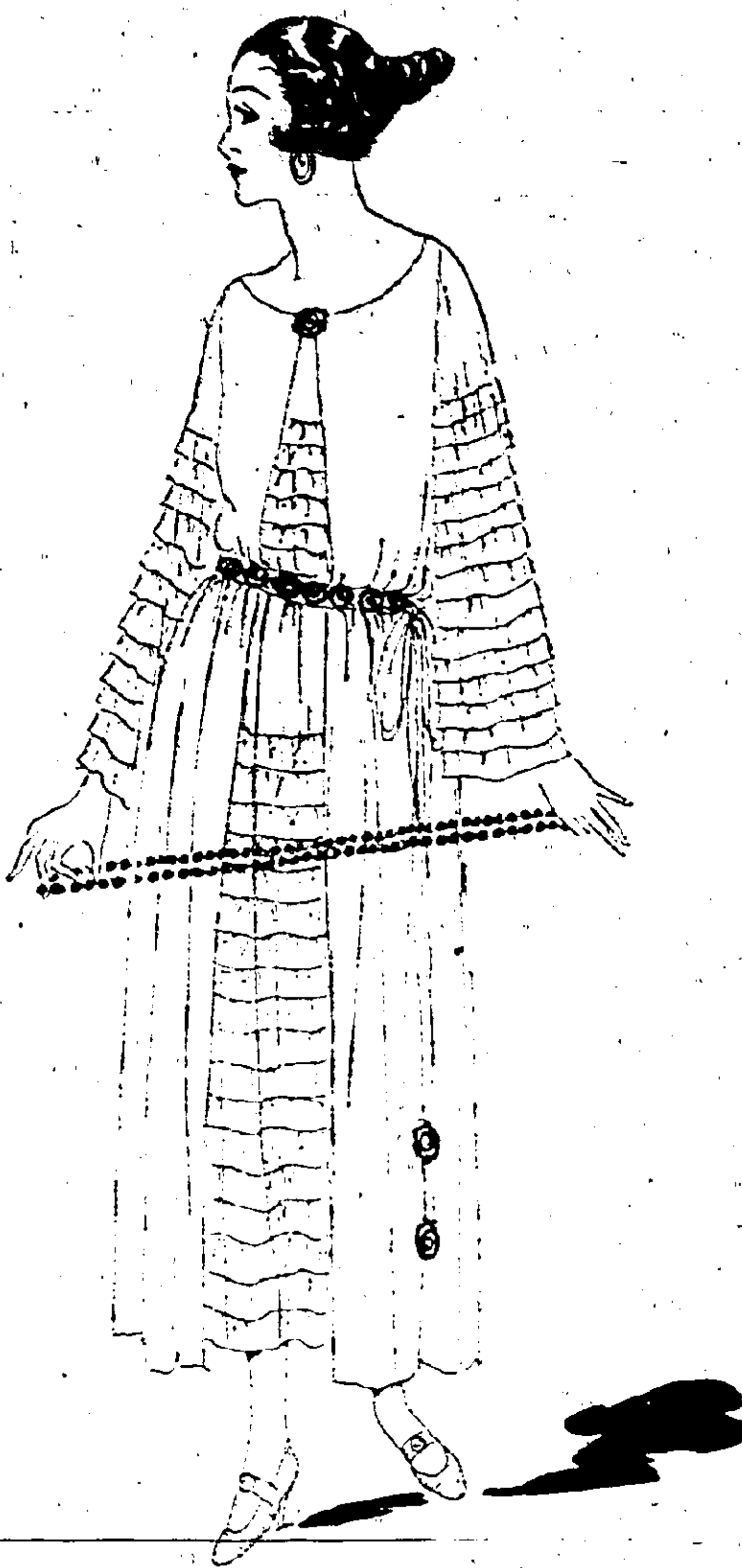
"I know one anecdote which illustrates better than any other the character of my people. It is a story of Mamet Casanova, a famous bandit. He began his career by stealing the brilliant and beautiful garments of a buried hidalgos, and then—here is the Irish touch—he was so delighted with his appearance in this attire that he could not resist going to call on the bereaved family thus dressed. He is the author of many of the popular ballads, romances, sung by the blind beggars in Spain."

Don Ramon's career as author began with a burst of splendour—his four "Sonatas" of Spring, Summer, Autumn, and Winter. These are memoirs of the youth, early manhood, maturity, and old age of the Marquis de Bradomir. Each Sonata is a novel in itself. Their popularity has steadily grown.

"But I felt that I must devise a new instrument," he said, "so I created my comedias barbaras, dramas in verse which follow the Shakespearean form, but in which action and scene are described in the manner of a novel. The three first, which tell the history of a family, although each is a play by itself, were: 'The Silver-Faced One,' 'The Wolves Ballad,' and 'The Eagle of the Escutecheon.' Maurice Barres is very fond of the second of these, which was published serially in the *Mercure* of Paris, and has been translated much. As 'Le Geste des Loups,' it is my most popular work in France."

After I had finished the comedias barbaras I wanted an

A DAINTY GOWN.



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other form. I began to write plays in verse, in which I told mediaeval tales in the old Provencal manner, revived.

"And then I wished to write something different, so in this third period I produced a mystical book, 'La Lampara Maravillosa,' a treatise on aesthetics."

This work holds Don Ramon's spiritual meditations. It is his most popular book in Mexico.

The fifth literary form he employed is that of long but strangely stressful description, and it arose from his experiences in the World War, when, in Verdun's most perilous hour, he travelled along the whole front living sometimes in the trenches. The book which recounts these terrible experiences is called "Vision from a Star of One Day of the War." Invited by the French Government, Don Ramon spent three months along the Somme in 1916.

The latest works of this writer are bitterly and even violently satirical. In contrast to these stand several volumes of lyric poems.

Mr. Gilbert Frankau made a big hit of its kind nearly a dozen years ago with "One of Us," and he has attracted notice on several occasions since. His latest production is "The Love Story of Aliette Brunton" (Hutchinson, 7s. 6d.). The cause to be advocated has not destroyed the story to be told in Mr. Frankau's novel, which says something for the inborn story-making gift of the author. It is easy to imagine many writers of finer intuition and more poignant perceptiveness looking the cause and all its implications carry them too far from the story-teller's point of view. But Mr. Frankau never ceases to be vigorous in setting and staging his people. They are reasonably natural people, too, and the lack of melodrama in Aliette makes her rather attractive, in spite of her habit of addressing Ronald as "Man." Within its limitations—and they are very well-marked—it is an able and well-made tract with all a tract's vivacity, down-rightness and good-sidedness, and with all the genuine tract's crude but arresting

human interest. Ronald Cave is dish, son of Julia Cavendish, the successful Victorian novelist, falls in love with Aliette Brunton, who is the wife of Hector Brunton, K.C. Aliette as irresistibly falls in love with him. She leaves Brunton (quite the right sort of brute to make the tract effective) and lives with Cavendish, but Brunton refuses to divorce her. Mrs. Cavendish, though she has always upheld the Victorian view of the marriage bond, sees that Aliette can make Ronald happy and gives her approval. This, with the come-and-go of a great many other people, some good descriptions of hunting, and the highly dramatic scene between Cavendish and Brunton, both barristers, in the Law Courts, makes up the book.

In "The Virgin of the Sun" (Cassell, 7s. 6d.) Sir Henry Rider Haggard does not show the vitality that marked "King Solomon's Mines," and no man, it has to be remembered, can preserve that early gift for ever. Of telling a good story and presenting a brave hero (his leading male character invariably deserves the old, enraging word) the Knack has not failed the author. Many and wonderful are the adventures of Hubert of Hastings before he comes to the far country that we now call Peru, and loves its beautiful daughter. Much of the story is founded on fact. The ring is an actual ring, and its appearance, and also its finding, are truly described.

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If he has not previously worn glasses, he should lose no time in having his sight properly tested. If he has worn them, he should make quite sure by a scientific test that his glasses do not want altering. This is important. Up to the age of forty the muscles of the eyes will sometimes make up for defect by straining. After forty, the elasticity of these muscles gradually lessens until they become quite faint. The Hongkong Optical Co., successors to Clark & Co., refracting and manufacturing opticians, located in 53, Queen's Road Central, have the equipment to test your sight accurately.

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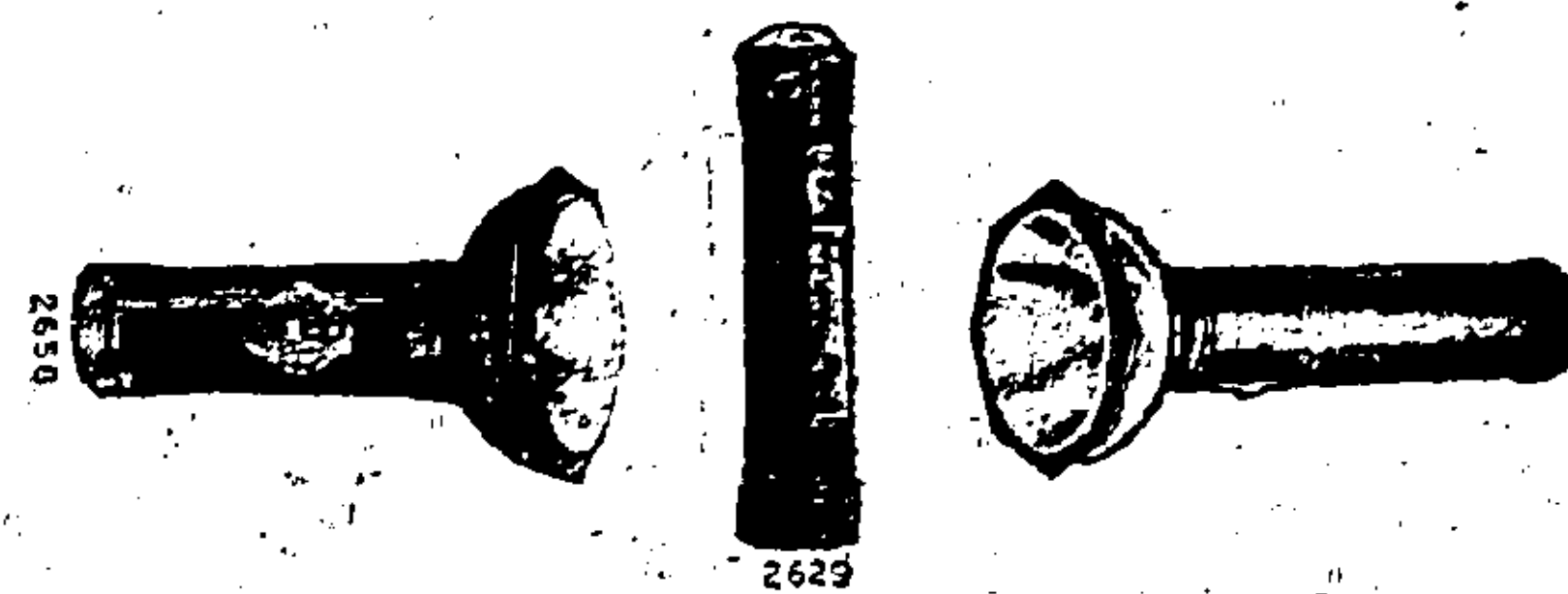
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LESSONS IN CHINESE.

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NOTICE.

THE INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS & SHIPBUILDERS OF HONGKONG.

The Thirty-first Annual Meeting will be held in the Rooms, King's Building, on Friday, 28th April, 1922, at 9 p.m.

S. BAKER,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 14th April, 1922.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN THE GOODS OF Sir Ellis Kadoorie Knight of Victoria. Hongkong Stockbroker deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Court has, by virtue of Section 53 of the Probates Ordinance 1897 (No. 2 of 1897), made an order limiting the time for sending in claims to or against the above estate to the 28th day of April, 1922. Creditors and claimants are hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned by the above date.

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HONGKONG BRANCH.

The Regular Monthly Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 19th April, at 5 o'clock p.m. Sharp. Election of Committees and General Business.

W. J. STOKES,
Branch Secretary.

VICTORIA REGATTA.

To be held under the auspices of the Victoria Recreation Club at Blackboulder Point on Saturday, 15th, and Monday, 17th April, commencing at 2 p.m. on Saturday and 11 a.m. on Monday. Launches to convey spectators and competitors will leave Murray Pier every half hour from 1.30 on Saturday and 10.30 on Monday.

The public are cordially invited. Tiffin tickets for Monday can be obtained at the Club, not later than Saturday.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on Tuesday, the 18th April, 1922 commencing at 11 a.m.

at No. 50 Godown of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd. (Kowloon)
340 bundles Plain Galvanized Sheets
(all more or less stained by seawater)

Terms: Cash on delivery
LAMMERT BROS.
Auctioneers.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on Thursday, the 20th April, 1922 at 3 p.m.

at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street
5-Seater 6 Cylinder Hudson Touring Car

(with 2 spare wheels and tyres in first class condition, only done 8,000 Miles, "on view 2 afternoons before day of sale")

5-Seater 4 Cylinder Hupmobile Touring Car
(with spare tyre & wheel) in first class condition, done under 6,000 miles.

5-Seater 4 Cylinder Buick Touring Car
(with spare tyre) recently done up and overhauled, in first class condition.

All tyres on above cars practically new.
On view now at Russell Street Garage.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.
LAMMERT BROS.
Auctioneers.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on Friday, the 21st April, 1922 commencing at 2.45 p.m.

at No. 3 Kimberly Villas, Kowloon
A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture

(Full particulars from catalogue) Also
One Upright Piano by John Brinsmead

On view from Thursday the 20th April
Terms: Cash on delivery.
LAMMERT BROS.
Auctioneers.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STRUTHERS & BARRY

From SAN FRANCISCO TO LOS ANGELES via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS & SHANGHAI.

The Steamship "WEST PROSPECT"

having arrived from the above mentioned ports on Sunday, April 16th, 1922, consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hon. Shan Godown Co., and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m., Friday, April 21st, 1922, by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Ahe.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised. No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the Godowns and cargo undelivered on and after April 23rd, 1922, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading in exchange for Delivery Orders immediately.

STRUTHERS & BARRY,

Agents,
U.S.S.B. Emergency Fleet Corp.,
Hongkong, 16th April, 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LTD.

AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Co's Steamers "MENTOR"

are hereby notified that their Cargo has been brought forward by S.S. "ANTIOCHUS" and will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 17th April.

Optional cargo will be landed unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd April will be subject to rent and any additional charges for collection incurred.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 5th May, or they will not be recognised.

Consignees are urgently requested to make prompt arrangements for removing or storing cargo. Failure to do so will result in congestion in the godowns, which will entail delay in the return of subsequent cargoes.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents,
Hongkong, 15th April, 1922.

THE KOWLOON MOTOR BUS COMPANY LIMITED.

Time Table

Kowloon Ferry to Sham Sai Po

4.45 a.m. to 8.15 a.m. every 10 minutes

8.15 a.m. to 8.35 p.m. every 5 minutes

8.35 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every 10 minutes

Kowloon Ferry to Ho Man Tin

4.45 a.m. to 8.15 a.m. every 15 minutes

8.15 a.m. to 8.35 p.m. every 15 minutes

8.35 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every 15 minutes

SUNDAYS EXCEPTED.

Yau-mai to Hung Hom

6.30 a.m. to 11.20 p.m. every 5 minutes

Hung Hom to Kowloon City

6.40 a.m. to 11.30 p.m. every 5 minutes

OFFICE:—

Nathan Road & Bay Street

Mongkok, Kowloon.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

KORINK LEE PAKETVAART

MAATSCHAPPIJ.

FROM BELAWAN DELI, PENANG and SINGAPORE.

The Steamship

S.S. "VAN OVERSTRATEN"

having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo by her are notified that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 24th April, 1922, will be subject to rent. Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the undersigned in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN

Agents,
Hongkong, 17th April, 1922.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

of the Members of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held on Thursday, April 20th, 1922, at 4 o'clock precisely, in the O.D. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, CITY HALL for the following purposes:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1921.

2. To elect a New Committee.

3. To transact any General business.

By Order,
D. K. BLAIR,
Secretary.

Hongkong, April 8th, 1922.

NOTICE.

National Loans of the Third Year of the Republic (1914) and of the Fourth Year of the Republic (1915).

With reference to the Notice issued to the Press by the undersigned under date 23rd March, 1922, in which was published a list of the schedule numbers of those \$10,000 Bonds and \$1,000 Bonds of the above Loans for the interest and redemption of which the Inspector General of Customs is responsible, the public is hereby notified that, owing to an error on the part of the Ministry of Finance, three numbers were omitted from the list, namely:

4th Year Loan: \$1,000 Bonds: Nos. 2231, 2232, 2233.

and that these three Bonds are redeemable, and interest coupons which they bear payable, from the funds under the administration of the Inspector General of Customs.

F. A. AGLEN,
Inspector General of Customs,
Incorporated General of Customs,
recking, 5th April, 1922.

Messrs. Lammert Bros. are instructed to sell

The Steamship "K. M. M."

Now lying in the Yau-mai Typhoon Refuge

under an

Order of the Court

by

PUBLIC AUCTION.

on

TUESDAY

The 2nd day of May 1922 at 3 o'clock p.m.

In One Lot

at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street

The ship is a wooden ship of approximately 1800 tons capacity with accommodation for about 800 Chinese Passengers.

Length 252 ft. or thereabouts.

Beam, 25 ft. or thereabouts.

For permits to view apply to Messrs. Lammert Bros. The Auctioneers.

For further particulars apply to Messrs. JOHNSON, STOKES and MASTER,

Prince's Buildings, or to Messrs. LAMMERT BROS. the Auctioneers, Duddell Street.

WE ANNOUNCE THE OPENING OF OUR NEW WORKSHOP

IN HONGKONG AT 145 PRAYA EAST

MOTOR ENGINEERS

GENERAL REPAIRS OF ALL KINDS OF MACHINERY.

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ST. MARY'S SCHOOL, KOWLOON.

Pitman's Shorthand Evening Classes for young ladies.

Classes for beginners and high-speed aspirants will commence on the 18th April.

For particulars apply to the Sister in Charge.

HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

During the absence of the undersigned, and until further notice, Mr. Arthur Victor Ward is appointed Acting Secretary.

By Order of the Board,
H. N. BEAUREPAIRE,
Secretary.

GODDARD & DOUGLAS.

(Telephone 122)

MARINE SURVEYORS, PRINCE'S BUILDINGS.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

We hereby give notice that we have moved to New Offices on the 3rd Floor at No. 45, Des Voeux Road, Central.

GODDARD & DOUGLAS.

THE COWIE HARBOUR COAL COMPANY LIMITED.

SILIMPOON COAL

The undersigned are prepared to quote prices for best quality freshly mined SILIMPOON COAL, trimmed into Bunkers at SEBATTIK or SANDAKAN (British North Borneo) or to contract for regular Bunker Supplies for 6 or 12 months at favourable rates.

Steamers calling at SEBATTIK or SANDAKAN exclusively for Bunkers are exempt from payment of ordinary Port Charges. The minimum draft of water alongside the Company's Wharf at Sebatik is 28 feet at low water Spring Tides. Charts of Cowie Bay (Sebatik Harbour) and any required information concerning the port can be had on application to

BRADLEY & CO. LTD.

Agents,
The COWIE HARBOUR COAL CO. LTD.

MADAM A. MEYERINCH

Begs to announce that she has just received direct from Paris a few of the latest models of Afternoon and Dinner Gowns which are on display at Empress Lodge, Kowloon, Room 11. Hours 10 a.m. to 12.00 and 2 to 5 p.m.

HONGKONG HOTEL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

TEA DANCING

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

HOTEL JAZZ ORCHESTRA.

DINNER DANCING

EVERY EVENING (Sunday Excepted) 8 p.m. to 11 p.m.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL

WEDNESDAY, April 19th

CARNIVAL NIGHT

DINNER DANCING (Fancy or Evening Dress Optional.)

HOTEL JAZZ ORCHESTRA.

SATURDAY, April 22nd

DINNER DANCING

JAZZ ORCHESTRA.

SUNDAY, April 23rd

ORCHESTRAL CONCERT

THE COMBINED BAND WILL PLAY DURING

—TIFFIN & TEA.

Tables for above may be booked at the Hotel Reception Office.

"Who Is That Woman? Why Did you Give Her Money?" He Could Not Answer.

To Do So Would Blaspheme Her Happiness

and Forever Stain The Honor of Another Man. And So He Kept Silent.

A Thrilling Drama of Blackmail, Oriental Intrigue & Romance.

"FOR A WOMAN'S HONOR"

Featuring

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Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday,

WORLD THEATRE.

NEW PIANOS

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MORRISON, KLIMES,

at moderate Prices

TSANG FOOKPIANO COMPANY.

84A Wanchai Road.

PHONE 2127.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Thirty-third Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, St. George's Building, on Saturday, 22nd April, 1922, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 28th February, 1922, and electing Directors and Auditor. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 1st to the 22nd April, 1922, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.
Agents,
Hongkong, 5th April, 1922.

TAIKOO CLUB DEBATING SOCIETY.

SCOTT'S LAST EXPEDITION.

An illustrated lantern lecture by Capt. E. R. G. Evans, C.B., D.S.O., R.N., will be given in Tai-koo Club, on Wednesday the 19th April, at 8.45 p.m.

Admission:—Balcony (reserved) \$3.00; area (reserved) \$2.00; area (unreserved) \$1.00.

Tickets may be had at the door, or booked by telephone to Tai-koo Dockyard General Office.

Proceeds of Lecture will be given to Naval Benefits.

FLASHES FROM THE STATES.

The oldtrams invariably succeed the war drums.—Columbia Record.

Idle talk won't put the men to work.—Newspaper Enterprise Association.

The only two who can live as cheaply as one are a flea and a dog.—Newspaper Enterprise Association.

Well, maybe the ten-year period of peace guaranteed by the Four-Power Treaty will pass while the Senate is debating its ratification.—New York Tribune.

In the past six years 94 peers, 235 baronets, and 2,016 knights have been created in Great Britain, which is said to be a record. And they all have to acknowledge a plain miser as their political leader.—Springfield Republican.

Now that the armament race is stopped, the only remaining obstacle to universal peace is the human race.—San Diego Tribune.

THE BLUE FUNNEL LINE

REGULAR AND FAST FREIGHT AND PASSENGER SERVICE.

LONDON SERVICE

(Direct)

RHESUS 18th Apr. London, Rotterdam & Hamburg
TEIRESIAS 25th Apr. London, Amsterdam & Antwerp
LAOMEDON 9th May London, Amsterdam & Antwerp
AGAMEMNON 16th May London, Antwerp & Hamburg

LIVERPOOL SERVICE

(Direct or via Continental Ports)

ANTIOCHUS 17th Apr. Genoa, Marseilles & Liverpool
ANCHISES 20th Apr. Marseilles & Liverpool
ORESTES 2nd May Havre & Liverpool

PACIFIC SERVICE

(via Kobe and Yokohama)

PROTESILAEUS 2nd May. Victoria, Seattle & Vancouver
INION 30th May.

NEW YORK SERVICE

(via Suez or Panama)

BELLEROPHON 10th May. via Suez
PASSENGER SERVICE
ANCHISES 20th Apr. for Singapore, Marseilles & Liverpool
TEIRESIAS 25th Apr. for Singapore & London
PYRRHUS 18th July for Singapore & London
For Freight and Passage Rates and all Information Apply to:—

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AGENTS.

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For Steamers To Sail

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HONGKONG—SHAMSHUI—WUCHOW.

In the splendid and luxuriously appointed 500 tons Motor Ship "KONG NING" between Hongkong, Shamsui, Shin Hing through the LOVELIEST SCENERY ON THE WEST RIVER TO WUCHOW.

SPLENDID 1st and 2nd class passenger accommodations; large and airy berth cabins on upper deck; no port holes but large airy windows; fitted throughout with electric light and Fans, etc.

M. S. "KONG NING"

Steamers Leave Hongkong.
"Kong Ning" 19 April

Round trips occupying 5 days; including meals and 24 hours stay on board at Wuchow \$45.00.
For further particulars apply to:—

BANKER & CO.

THE TREMBLING HAND.

A Sure Sign that your Nerves are in Trouble, and your General Health low.

If your hand, your thumb, or your foot trembles when you try to hold it still, if your writing is shaky, if you have tremors of your lips or chin, your nerves need strengthening.

Unless something is done you may easily become the victim of neuralgia, sciatica, neurasthenia, partial paralysis, or any of the severe nervous disorders.

There is no tonic for the nerves that is not a tonic for every other part of the body. There is no form of debility that does not rob the nerves of nourishment. The remedy therefore for nervous breakdown is a tonic that will build up the general health, revitalize the blood, and enable it to carry to the starved nerves the elements they need.

Dr. Williams' pink pills are an ideal tonic for all nervous people, being far more valuable than any mere stimulant. To-day is the best time to begin them. Any dealer can supply; or direct from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 96 Szechuen Road, Shanghai, \$1.50 per bottle, \$3.00 for 6 bottles, post free.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE ADMIRAL LINE.

The Steamship "BAY STATE"

having arrived from Seattle via ports, on 8th April, consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Godowns of The Hon Shan Godown Co., Nos. 1 & 2 Dundas Street, Yaumatei, and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns, where it will be examined at 9.30 a.m. on 15th April, by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Ash and Anderson.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after 15th April, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO., United States Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation, THE ADMIRAL LINE, Managing Agents.

5th Floor, Hotel Mansions, Hongkong, 10th April, 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE LIMITED.

M.V. "GLENARIFFE"

From UNITED KINGDOM and INTERMEDIATE PORTS.

Consignees of cargo by the above vessel are hereby informed that same has been returned from Shanghai by M. V. "GLENARIFFE" to-day and all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 15th April, at 5 p.m. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined in the presence of consignees by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, on 15th April, at 10 a.m. Claims against the steamer including those for cargo short delivered must be presented on the special form provided and must also be submitted within 30 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. Agents.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1922.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

VEREENIGDE NEDERLANDSCHE SCHEEPVAART-MAATSCHAPPIJ (United Netherlands Navigation Company.)

HOLLAND-OOST AZIE LIJN. (Holland-East Asia Line)
From AMSTERDAM, HAMBURG, BREMEN, GENOA & LISBON.

The Steamship "OOSTERK" "

having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo by her are notified that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 15th April, 1922, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godowns where they will be examined on the 15th April, at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the undersigned in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN. Agents.

Hongkong, 11th April, 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS LIMITED.

From ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO, LONDON AND STRAITS.

The Steamship "BENRINNES"

Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th April will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 27th inst. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 20th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LIMITED. Agents.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1922.

THE RED CLASH WITH JAPANESE.

Statement Issued in Tokyo.

Tokyo, April 6.
With reference to the clash which recently occurred between the Reds and the Japanese force, the cause of which is alleged to be the fact that the Reds, following the retreat of the Whites, advanced southward into the buffer state, the authorities here have issued the following statement:—
The Japanese Government has hitherto regarded the Chita Government as the most influential

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

From EUROPE AND STRAITS.

The Company's Steamship "KAMAKURA MARU."

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before noon, To-day.

Goods not cleared by the 21st April, 1922, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour on Tuesday and Friday. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,

Agents.

Hongkong, 14th April, 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FROM EUROPE & STRAITS

The Company's Steamship "YOKOHAMA MARU"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, To-day.

Goods not cleared by the 22nd April, 1922, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the godowns for examination by the consignees' and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour on Tuesday and Friday. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,

Agents.

Hongkong, 15th April, 1922.

YEE SANG FAT CO.

Just arrived

LADIES' NEW SPRING HATS

For sports,
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Every
desirable
style of
hat for
Spring.

Reasonable prices.

YEE SANG FAT CO.

We are now showing the

NEW MODELS

in

WHITE SHOES

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Keds

For LADIES, GENTS. and CHILDREN.

See window display.

New low prices.

YEE SANG FAT CO.

Dr. Petroff, the representative of the Chita Government, to take steps to prevent the Reds entering the buffer state in order to avoid the conflict between the Reds and the Japanese troops, at the same time pointing out the violation by the Reds of the agreement entered into between the Chita and Japanese Governments.

Unfortunately, however, the Reds having ignored the warnings, the armed conflict eventuated between the two armies.

Nevertheless, the affair being a local incident, occurring as it did between a portion of the Reds, and part of the Japanese troops, it should be looked upon as purely a local matter and not, of course, as a general conflict between the Far Eastern Republic and Japan. As the Chita Government has a full understanding of the circumstances in

which the recent fighting took place, no serious results will be endangered, provided the Chita Government does not insist upon any unreasonable and unwarranted attitude, disregarding the military arrangements reached between Japan and the Far Eastern Republic.

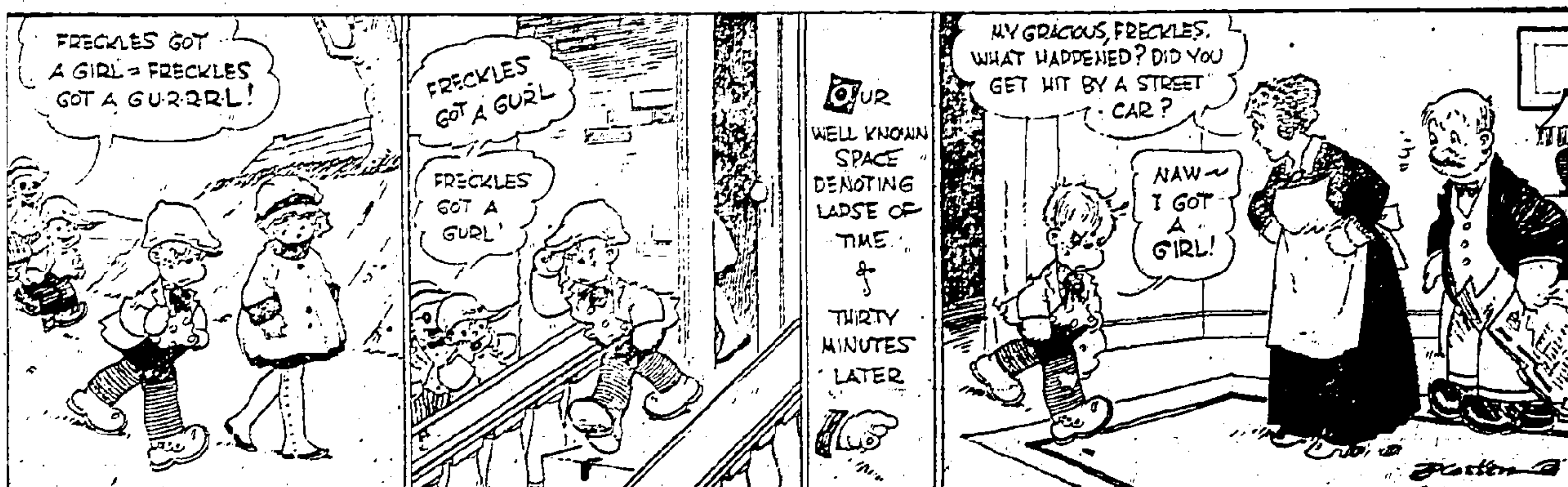
CHINA HANKOW

REPORTED. The nation of Hankow reports that the Chinese who live in the neighborhood of the British Concession boundary wall have sent a petition to H. B. M. Consul-General requesting the removal of this wall. It is further reported that Mr. Chen Kai, Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, has been in communication with the Consul-General about this matter.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

None but the Brave Deserve the Fair

BY BLOSSER



number approximately 50,000

INDIA REVISITED.

By St. Nihal Singh in the London "Observer."

Upon sorting out the impressions gathered by me as I have travelled at leisure up and down India, I find that the change which impresses me the most is the altered attitude of the common people towards life.

The masses of my motherland, as I used to know them, were listless. Their intellectual horizon was so limited that they could not see beyond their farm or factory. Even grinding poverty did not give new direction to their thought or effort. They believed themselves to be creatures of fate, and their patience with the woes of their life, which they regarded as transitory, was pathetic in the extreme.

I now find that the type of people whom I used to know has largely disappeared in my eleven years' absence, and their place is being taken by men and women who are neither placid nor dumb, who refuse to resign themselves to the decree of fate, and who will not be denied better opportunities here and now. The field and workshop no longer constitute their sole, or even their main, interest. They have somehow been sucked into the vortex of the troubles through which this land is passing, and their intellect has been shaken up in the process.

It is true that the crowd has no definite idea of the objective in view or of just what it has to do to get there. It knows, nevertheless, that the present conditions are not good enough to live in, and it is determined not to put up with them. Only persons who know the India which lies entombed in the sarcophagus of time can appreciate, at its true worth, the mental revolution through which my people must have passed in order to gain that consciousness.

This awakening of the Indian masses is due, in a measure, to the light which has filtered through the vernacular newspaper often read by a small boy to the unlettered rustics seated under a banyan tree in the village square. During recent years Indian leaders have gone more and more to the common people instead of confining their activities to the educated urbanities.

GANDHI AND HIS FOLLOWERS. That has especially been the case since the advent of Mahatma Gandhi into the Indian political arena. If he has neglected any section of the people it is the intellectual community and not the masses. Dressed in garb no better than that which the poorest of the poor can afford, he has gone among the common people and talked to them in the simplest, crudest terms specially calculated to appeal to persons of an intensely religious type; and these methods have won their hearts. I am amazed at the hold which he has acquired over the people.

Mahatma Gandhi's most devoted followers are, I find, the men and women who have returned from various parts of the British Empire embittered by the treatment accorded them there. At Bardoli, in the Bombay Presidency, not far from the place where I am writing these words, surrounded by people repatriated from South Africa, some of whom languished in gaol there as his companions in former years, he is now busy preparing to launch India upon the uncharted ocean of civil disobedience *en masse*.

In the awakening of the Indian masses the Indian emigrants who have returned with the iron in their soul from Britain overseas have played a part almost as memorable as the role enacted by Indian soldiers who fought for their King-Emperor in the great war in theatres of action strewn over three continents. These men, and, in the case of emigrants, also women, were gathered, not from a few selected areas, but from villages dotted all over India. They have returned to their Motherland wiser and, alas! in most cases sadder men and women, deeply conscious of the fact that Indians, in the present circumstance, are denied equality of treatment.

THE SPECTRE OF POVERTY. The spectre of poverty responsible, in the first place, for driving these men and women from their homes, is really the primary cause of the awakening among the Indian masses. It is true that of late years conditions have been somewhat improved, owing to the high prices obtained for corn, cotton, and oil seeds and to co-operative effort which has enabled the cultivator to scrap old implements and methods for new, to dig wells and

carry out other improvements, often suggested by the devoted men of science who for years have been labouring on experimental and demonstration farms to produce results which would impress the most conservative of farmers.

In spite of all these changes for the better, however, larger problem of agricultural indebtedness remains. The holdings are, in most cases, pitifully small and, therefore, uneconomic to exploit even in India, the land of so-called cheap labour. A very large percentage of the occupants are deeply in debt and find it difficult to meet the Government assessment as it falls due. Landlordism is rampant everywhere, and its crushing burden is becoming daily more unbearable, especially in areas such as the Moplah tract in Malabar where land tenure is exceedingly insecure, and the occupants are really little better than tenants-at-will.

INDUSTRIAL CONDITIONS. The men and women driven by poverty into the cities have hardly fared better. The toilers in the factories, in which conditions of work have, as a rule, fallen far below the sanitary standards essential in a tropical country, have been ground by an industrial system utterly alien to them, which no one has taken the least trouble to humanise. And because of that failures men, women, and children who have been goaded by poverty from the field into horribly congested, ill-smelling, ill-lit industrial slums, unable to stretch their pitiables to meet even their limited wants, are being compelled to tread a path which leads to physical and moral perdition.

The grave unrest arising out of these conditions may be mitigated for a time by a periodical rise in wages. In Bombay Sir George Lloyd is hard at work to clear out the slums. The Indian Legislature has just passed a measure making certain improvements in the conditions of factory workers. All these are indications of an awakening. I refuse, however, to believe that anything but the fringes of the problem has been touched.

In the meantime economic pressure, coupled with agencies set in motion by the impact of the West upon the East, has loosened the common people in town and country alike from their old moorings. The masses, determined to improve their conditions, are of far more importance in the scheme of Indian life than the fatalistic people whom nothing could move. If they can be guided into the path leading upward India can achieve rapid progress. If, however, that guidance is denied them they may plunge into an abyss of chaos.

India stands at the parting of the ways. Which of these paths she will tread the future alone can disclose.

PAMPANGA SUGAR MILLS.

Capacity to be Doubled.

Excavations for an addition to the Pampanga sugar Mills, at Del Carmen, Pampanga, designed to increase the capacity of the plant from 1,500 tons of cane a day to 3,000 tons, will begin to-day, says the *Manila Bulletin* of April 11.

Manager R. Renton Hind received advices on Saturday that the company's directors in San Francisco had approved the project. He immediately closed contracts with the Honolulu Iron Works for the building. The contract for the building has been awarded to the Atlantic, Gulf and Pacific company.

The action of the directors comes as welcome news to the sugar planters of the Del Carmen district, who produced 9,000 tons of sugar in 1920 and nearly 20,000 tons in 1921. This season's milling will run more than 27,000 tons and the next crop is expected to be a great deal larger. Opening of the mill at Del Carmen three seasons ago has stimulated the sugar industry in Pampanga from the first day's grinding, so that to meet the demands on mills plant must be practically doubled.

The Honolulu Iron Works will install a nine-roller mill of the same type already in use; also three Stirling boilers each of 630 horsepower, a smokestack 12 feet in diameter and 175 feet high, and additional boilerhouse equipment to handle the additional juice.

This season's milling will close June 15 and the new buildings are expected to be completed by July 1. The whole project, it is planned, will be completed in time for the opening of the next milling season, November 1.

The Del Carmen railway system is being extended to accommodate new districts. Planters having the largest interests in the fertile Mabalcab district, where some of

THE BIG FOUR.

Mr. Lansing on the "Tiger" as Dictator.

The Versailles Treaty is a French treaty; it bears the impress of the tigerish nationalism of M. Clemenceau; against that forceful personality Mr. Wilson and Mr. Lloyd George proved ineffectual.

This is a fair summary of Mr. Robert Lansing's "The Big Four," his second contribution to the history of the Peace Conference in Paris of 1919.

The "Big Four" are, of course, Mr. Clemenceau, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lloyd George and Signor Orlando. Mr. Lansing places them in this order of importance, giving the famous Frenchman so much the first place almost as to make him dictator of the proceedings, making Mr. Wilson a bad second—this may be purely an American viewpoint—and Mr. Lloyd George an equal third.

The book may as well have been described as "The Big Three," because, for all its compliments to him, Signor Orlando is depicted as hardly in the running. Mr. Lansing, as American Secretary of State (i.e., Foreign Minister), was next to Mr. Wilson, the principal American delegate.

THE DESPOT AT WORK.

From the very first moment, M. Clemenceau seized control of the whole course of proceedings. He is described as "masterful." He thought of one thing only—the narrow, selfish interests of France. Altruism he despised; broad views he mocked. "His nature was that of a despot."

And his despotism over the Conference, ruthlessly exercised and impotently resisted, was aided by the fact that partly owing to its being held in Paris, and partly because of the unpreparedness and lack of will power of the other Allies, the machine of the Conference was overwhelmingly in French hands. "Having won the war, M. Clemenceau did not intend to have France lose the peace."

He was always "alive to everything which worked to the advantage of France," and "succeeded in carrying through the French programme."

LIFE PORTRAITS OF PETER AND PAUL.

Amazing Discoveries in Rome.

According to the well-known archaeologist, Professor Lanciani, authentic contemporary portraits of St. Peter and St. Paul have been discovered in a hypogeum, or underground structure, of the Roman epoch.

During excavations for the building of a large garage, the hypogeum was unearthed. It comprises a number of rooms and galleries, a crypt, and a Christian church, with marvellous frescoes of a very early date.

Professor Lanciani believes that the two portraits were painted from life.

U.S. OFFICER.

Burned to Death in Philippines.

Captain William J. Briscoe, of the 43rd Infantry, Philippine Scouts, stationed at Camp John Hay, was fatally burned on April 8 in an attempt to rescue three Igorot enlisted men of his regiment when they were caught in a pocket of flames in a brush fire at Camp John Hay. Captain Briscoe died the following morning at the post hospital.

One soldier was burned to cinders in the flames while Captain Briscoe dragged two of his men from the fire before he dropped to the ground, badly burned about the arms, legs, face, neck and body. The two rescued men were also badly burned but are expected to recover.

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CHINA'S AIR-MAIL SERVICE.

A Survey.

The Chinese hold with Bulwer Lytton that "The pen is mightier than the sword." Wu Peifu is a noted pen-man and, although he possesses sword—or bayonet—rather—in abundance, he prefers to dispose of his un-friends, and generally quite successfully, with a pen and a length of telegraph wire. Then what is mightier than the pen? The answer to this chestnut used to be "A Cheese" (miserable) but this is wrong. It is a long tongue such as is possessed by Chao Hsin-chu, the under-study of Dr. Wellington Koo, who attends all sorts of function in London and wields his weapon with great effect. When added to the tongue there is a vivid imagination, and an unscrupulous disregard of facts, there is no limit to the effect it will have on an ignorant audience.

In an agency correspondence article, which was published on Monday, a speech which Mr. Chao delivered at an Air Conference held in London in February was given in which he gave an account of China's air-mail service. The story of this venture as it is known out here begins with the order placed with the British firm, Messrs. Vickers and Handley-Page by officials of the Board of Communications in 1919. It amounted to 150 aeroplanes, large and small, which were to be used for purely commercial purposes. It was guaranteed by the government that under no circumstances whatever would they be applied to military uses.

The parties who gave the order must have known perfectly well that no commercial air service in China could be made to pay, and the probability is they had no interest in this side of the matter. Reasoning from what we know of other similar transactions we would take it that their object was either to collect a big commission for placing the order, or that it was intended to use the machines for military purposes from the start.

On May 7th, 1920, the first trip was made when a Handley-Page machine was navigated from Peking to Tientsin and back with a load of passengers—the British Minister being one of them. The service went no further owing to the opposition of the Civil Governor of Chihli who objected to the presence of such machines in the neighbourhood of Tientsin. In the Spring of 1921, an air mail line from Peking to Shanghai was sanctioned but could not get under way on account of the opposition of the Tientsin of Shantung and Kiangsu who adopted the same attitude as the civil governor of Chihli. Thus the whole route was blocked and China's air mail service still remains in the limbo of good intentions. As for the aeroplanes: they were used in the fighting in the neighbourhood of Peking in the summer of 1920—as many of them as pilots could be found for—and when that scrap was over Chang Tso-lin took a few train loads of them to Mukden, while Tsao Kun appropriated as many as he could lay hands on and removed them to Pao-tung-fu. All these are now set apart for war uses and nothing else. There are still some left at the Nanyuan near Peking but not enough to fit out any kind of commercial or air-mail service.

EMPEROR'S FORTUNE TOLD. It will be interesting to note that the abdicated Emperor, Hsuan Tung, of the Imperial Household, recently summoned an eminent fortune-teller, Liu Lai-fu to his office and listened to the words of the fortune-teller. Three hundred dollars have been paid as a reward, together with a letter of appreciation.—*Yieh Pao*.

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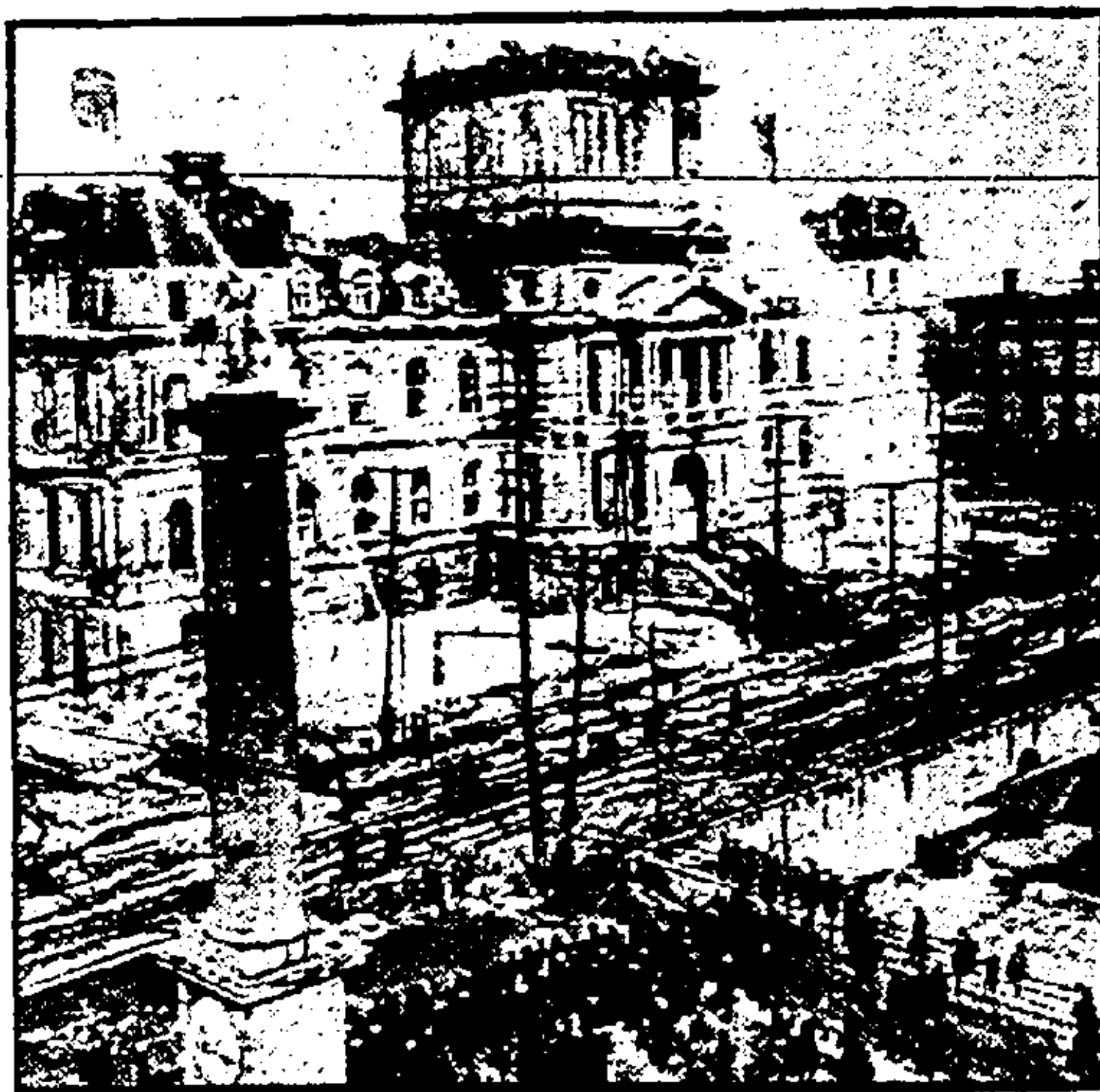
The ex-Kaiser's palace being used as a cinema studio, portraying scenes of the days of Frederick the Great.



Troops in a "bird cage," a steel truck with a screen protection against thrown missiles, kept order at the funeral of one of the victims in recent Belfast riots.



A glimpse of the havoc wrought in Belfast in the outbreak that followed the kidnapping of 12 Ulsterites. Here three houses in Old Park Road were bombed.



This photograph was taken at daybreak after the city hall at Montreal had been burning six hours. Historic document and records were destroyed.

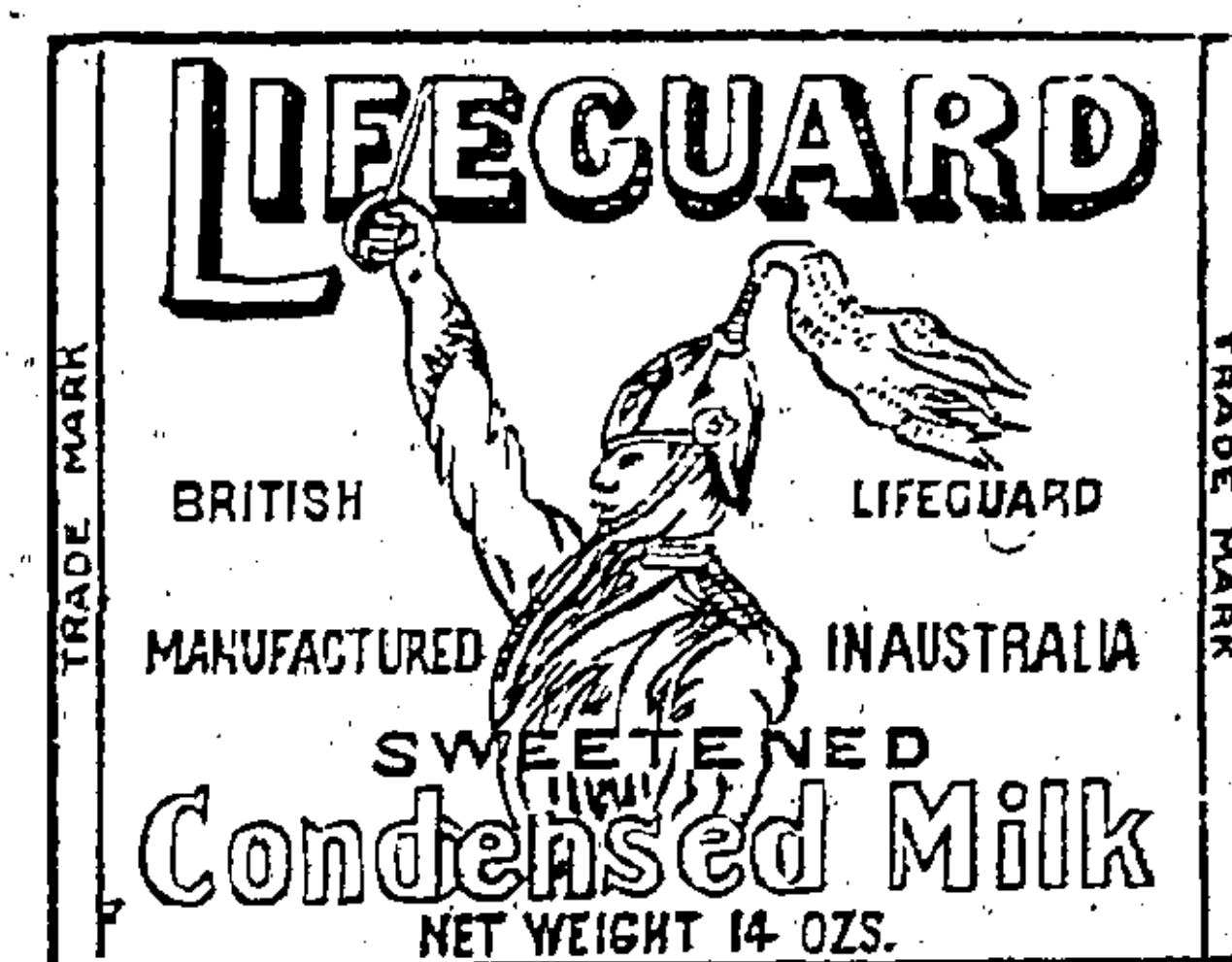


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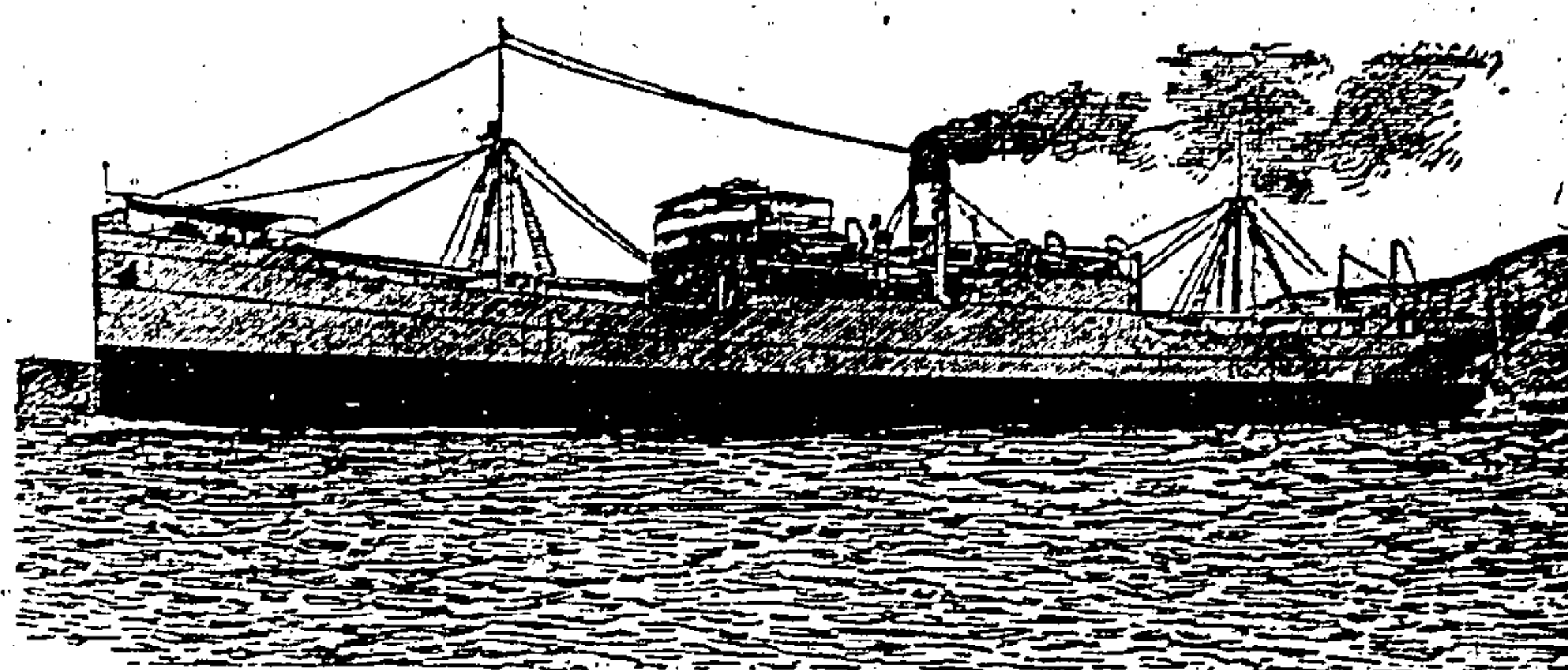
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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

THE LEIPZIG FAIR.

Contrary to anticipations, many Australian and East Asiatic representatives revisited Leipzig and purchased large quantities of German products, while the number of purchasers from Africa, England and Italy also increased.

SHANGHAI'S TEA TRADE.

The most prosperous months of the tea trade in Shanghai during last year were April, May, November, and December. The highest price paid for Ta-pang was 32 taels per picul; Pekoo, 92 taels per picul and Hungmuay 120 taels per picul; the total amount of green tea shipped to Shanghai last year was 150,000 boxes; Black Tea 4,000 boxes; and Ping-shui, 150,000 boxes. At the end of last year only 1,000 boxes of green tea, 1,000 boxes of black tea and 5,000 boxes of Ping-shui were deposited in the warehouses in Shanghai.

Messrs. Warner, Barnes & Co., Ltd., Manila, in their latest report to hand, state: There was a slight improvement in the U.S. Hemp market but it was only of short duration, and market closes dull with downward tendency. Export houses are not buying. A few small parcels have been sold to local Japanese.—The Sugar Market has ruled firm, particularly for centrifugal sugar.—The Copra market has ruled firm, and prices have advanced further. Arrivals during the fortnight in Manila were 90,000 piculs, and at Cebu between February 19th and March 4th, 68,000 piculs.—The Coal market is firm.—The Rice market has ruled steady at unchanged prices with only a limited demand from outports. The Saigon market is reported quiet with downward tendency.—The Flour Market has been very steady.

SHANGHAI COAL MARKET.

Messrs. Wheelock & Co., Shanghai, in their circular of 6th April state: Japan Coal.—We have nothing to add to our remarks of a fortnight ago as the market continues in the same lifeless condition and native dealers do not seem to be inclined to go in for any business of any sort at the moment. Fushun Coal.—No change. Fuchung Anthracite.—Sales and deliveries have been brisk and stocks on the spot have been greatly reduced; owing to political disturbances on the Kien-Han Railway some difficulty is being experienced in getting supplies down from the mines. Kaiping Coal.—The market has remained quiet during the last two weeks but deliveries under contract have been well maintained. A fairly active demand is being experienced throughout the entire East, which will prevent prices from slipping away; should therefore a sudden demand arise in any direction, advances in current rates would probably result. Should the coal strike in America be prolonged and steamers take considerable extra bunkers in Japan in consequence, higher prices will probably prevail.

